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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1915.

Cooking with electricity will add to your current expenses.

Compulsory education for the time being appears to have quit compelling.

A man who marries a widow with a lot of children must be fond of putting on heels.

The first recorded case of eavesdropping was when Eve fell out of the fig tree.

Your new chauffeur may be very green, but that does not mean that he is a colored man.

The doctor is the only man who can go from bad to worse and still maintain his respectability.

Speculation is an uncertain term. It's a splendid investment if you win, but gambling if you lose.

It's a fine and commendable thing to take a wife, Ebenezer, just so she's not your neighbor's.

Because a man's wife serves him a burnt offering at dinner does not necessarily mean that she worships him.

Just because your family tree didn't grow up in the tropics is no reason that you will not find a few monkeys in it.

The president is not the stern and unbending man some people think he is. His favorite play is "The Merry Widow."

The development of the automobile has been one of the wonders of recent years. It is here to stay—and also to go.

If you mean business the next time you go out after that cat on the fence, you'd better take a nine-shooter instead of a six.

The "foot and mouth" disease may be a menace to the cattle, but it's nothing to the hand-to-mouth affliction that pursues mankind all the time.

It is not prima facie evidence of guilt because Rastus has caught the chicken-pox. He probably caught it from a neighbor and not at the hen roost he visited last week.

A NEW MONEY CROP

The Anderson county exhibit prepared by Mr. Byars for the state fair is made up of a fine display of home products, but on looking it over yesterday there was one new feature that attracted our attention at once because it was new and because actual experiment has shown it to be a money maker of fine possibilities.

This is an African sugar cane, whose technical name we have forgotten, and at least one man in this section has grown it with splendid results. Just across the county line at Level Land, in Abbeville county, Mr. J. W. Suttles, a progressive farmer and a man of new ideas, planted some of this cane this year, and the sample of his syrup that we were privileged to taste is not surpassed even by pure maple syrup. This cane is a real sugar cane, somewhat similar to the Louisiana sugar cane, but different from it in that it will grow successfully in this climate while the cane of our coast regions is somewhat semi-tropical and will not do well here. It is raised from seed and not from planting the stalks in the ground, a fact that makes it easier to cultivate and less expensive to handle in the planting season.

As this variety of cane comes from Africa, one might infer that it will make only black molasses, but the syrup is of a light color like honey, and it is in much demand where it has been put on the market. It has been recently introduced in the United States, but is little known by farmers who could cultivate it to advantage. We have heard of one planter in the Mississippi valley who has an order for twenty thousand gallons of this syrup at sixty-five cents a gallon, and he is not able to supply the demand. Northern hotels, restaurants, and even the exclusive Pullman service are making a specialty of it, and many of their customers esteem it more highly than maple syrup.

Mr. Byars will help introduce this new crop in Anderson next year. He knows its value, how far superior it is to the ordinary sorghum, and how much larger the yield per acre over the orange and other varieties of cane that our farmers have been relying upon for so many years.

We are not employed by Mr. Suttles to advertise his business, but we are generous enough to give him a free lift by suggesting that, if you are in doubt about what we say, order a can of the syrup from him and see what a revelation it will be to you.

THE FALL ELECTIONS

There is less general interest than usual in the few contests that are to be decided the first Tuesday in November, although these off-year elections are watched closely by political students for their possible interpretation of the sentiment of the country. This is particularly so of an election preceding a presidential election year.

Only five states this year will elect governors. These are Massachusetts, Maryland, Kentucky, Mississippi and New Mexico; the present governors of whom are Democrats except in Maryland where the Republican candidate won four years ago because of a split in the dominant party. Massachusetts is normally a Republican state, but for the past five years it has elected a Democrat and is likely to repeat the performance. In Maryland the Democrats are still divided, but there is every indication that they will not repeat the folly of four years ago and let a Republican slip into office in a state that is normally Democratic by a good majority.

In Kentucky the Democrats have been in power for several years, following a period of intense internal discord when they temporarily lost control of the state. Augustus O. Stanley, the Democratic candidate, is an unusually strong man. He served with great distinction in congress and gained a nation-wide reputation in his probes into the affairs of the tobacco and the steel trusts.

The elections this year are not very important, but they will be straws at least to show how the political wind is blowing.

A HUMAN ADVERTISEMENT

It may seem like harking back to ancient history to revive any discussion of Jerry Moore and his wonderful feat in 1911 in producing 228 bushels of corn on an acre, but we really think it is worth while now and then to drag a good thing out of its hiding place and exhibit it again in the hope of inspiring some faltering brother to stir up his loins and fight all the harder for what he is after.

The corn production of South Carolina in 1911, if we remember correctly, was 17,000,000 bushels, but the next year, after Jerry had startled the world by his achievement, the production leaped to about 50,000,000

bushels. This boy's success appealed to the imagination of the whole country, and the work of the boys' corn clubs and other similar organizations received a mighty impetus. It has been figured that in the after results following Jerry Moore's record crop, he was worth in actual dollars to his state about sixty dollars a minute. We don't know how much his example is worth at present, but we do know that it is worth a great deal and that its value to other boys and young men will last for generations.

Jerry Moore has been called "the greatest human advertisement" South Carolina ever had, and there is no doubt that this is true. There is an individuality about success when it is linked with one person that stirs people to action, and when the wonderful thing that is done has been achieved by a mere boy or by a slip of a girl men everywhere get enthusiastic and throw up their hats in praise of it. It appeals to the imagination of men, and that is one very great reason that the example is always remembered and bears such good fruit.

THE LUCKY MANUFACTURER

The immense demand for motor cars and trucks by the powers at war has proven a windfall for the manufacturing concerns making automobiles. Before the war broke out, there were signs among many of the home manufacturers that their business was about to enter on a decline, which would doubtless have brought a reduction in the prices of cars generally to the benefit of the man of moderate means.

After the war is over, the foreign demand will be cut off so far as war purposes are concerned, and it may be that the long sought fall in prices will then take place. The automobile maker, however, has played in luck ever since the automobile was developed into a successful means of travel. The number of machines bought has continued to be large, and just when a falling off in sales was threatened a lucky streak—if the war can be called such—turned up to help the maker.

When peace is declared, we are going to urge that the treaties contain a provision for cheap automobiles. We don't want anything further to happen to keep prices on a level far above our pocket-book. But, just as likely as not, when we have assembled our wary coins for the purpose of buying a cheap car, automobiles will be out of date and it will be fashionable to ride only in flying machines.

"THE UNCO' GUID"

Robert Burns was a pretty good judge of human nature. He had his own faults and had to pay the penalty of many sins, but notwithstanding all this he kept his vision clear and could distinguish always between the good and the bad, between the false and the true, between the real thing and a sham. He could sift out the wheat from the chaff in human character, and he did not make the mistake of drawing wrong conclusions from single instances of human failings. Where the average man might stand up and condemn another in the harshest terms, an honest and liberal judge like Burns could look beyond the dress and the weaknesses and see that "a man is a man for all that."

We have been driven to this thought by standing idly and gazing upon the circus posters. There used to be a time when pious people hurled all sorts of anathemas at the circus, and they wouldn't go within a mile of this aggregation of abominations—unless they were forced to do so in self-defense in order to take the children out to see the animals.

To our untutored mind a circus is an artistic show. We like to see the "elephants" just as much as the "kids," but our particular delight is to watch the trapeze artists and thrill as they go hurtling through the air. We like the clowns with all their silly doings, and the acrobats and the bareback riders and all the hosts clad in tight leathers to give us a rare holiday of fun.

Oh, no; there is nothing evil in a circus unless you've got your eyes skinned for evil sights. For that matter, you can see just about as many suggestive things every day anywhere if you are looking for them.

There is nothing impure of itself. The impurity comes from one's evil thoughts. If tomorrow you want to go to the circus because you like a clean, thrilling show, shake the needles out of your old sock and go

ahead. But if you are in doubt about yourself, you had better not go inside of the big tent. Take no chances of contaminating yourself, but stay out in the menagerie with the rest of the animals.

Bobbie Burns once unburdened his mind about the "unco' guid," but James Montgomery Flagg, the artist, has done about as well in this frivolous little limerick: Said the Reverend Jabez MacCotton, "The waltz is of the devil begotten." Said the port Miss Bly, "Never mind the old guy; To the pure all things are rotten."

A LINE o' DOPE

Weather Forecast—Partly cloudy Thursday; Friday fair.

Mayor Godfrey yesterday wired Barham and Bailey's circus, showing in Augusta, Ga., to send a special man here today to look over the street situation in order to select the best possible route to the show grounds on River street. The circus comes to Anderson tomorrow from Columbia and arrangements have been made to have the large tents pitched near the old park, but the main question now is how will the heavy wagons get there from the depot. In answer to Mr. Godfrey's telegram he received a message stating that a "special man" was being sent and that he would be in the city this morning.

As is well known, River street is torn up because of the paving and the heavy rains of the past few days have played havoc with the other streets leading in the direction of the proposed circus grounds. Yesterday afternoon City Engineer Sanders had wagons and hands busy hauling rock on East Market street trying to put it in shape. Elizabeth street, which would have to be used is also in bad shape and ditches have been made by the necessity of extending the water mains.

Other routes have been suggested but it is useless to go over these since the matter will be definitely arranged this morning. Some seem to think that it would be better for the tents to be pitched on vacant lots in the northern part of the city, known as the Roberts party. This could be reached by using North Fant street and it is very probable that this site will be selected.

In the article appearing in yesterday's issue of The Intelligencer regarding the next term of court of general sessions it was stated that it would convene on the first Monday in November. This was a mistake, since court does not convene until the third Monday in November. The date of selecting the jury was confused with the day on which court convenes.

Owing to the arrival of three patients at St. Mary's Hospital, Dr. Breedin yesterday announced that his hospital had really already opened. He was planning to have the formal opening on Friday, but owing to the fact that that is circus day, he postponed the date until Monday. He will then have the formal opening and will have a public reception.

Manager Trowbridge of the Anderson yesterday stated that the curtain for the performance of the Red Rose tomorrow evening would rise promptly at 8:30 o'clock and that those coming in after that time would positively have to wait until the act was finished before being seated. This rule is observed almost everywhere and is considered a good one. The reason the curtain was delayed on last Friday night was because the management waited a few minutes on the arrival of the members of the Auburn football team who occupied the right lower box. Mr. Trowbridge stated that seats for the Red Rose were selling fast and that he thought standing room would be in demand.

Mr. Trowbridge also stated yesterday that he would have a two reel Charlie Chaplin at the Anderson tomorrow. This famous comedian is appearing in a picture entitled "The Woman."

The change of Sheriff Ashley and of Auditor Smith of offices in the court house is necessitating improvements in the office formerly occupied by the auditor but which will in the future be occupied by the sheriff. The little room formerly used as a vault is being converted into a private office for the sheriff and this is causing some extra work to be done. Two windows are being cut in the brick wall to allow more light and air and the door leading to the little room from the outer office is being widened. When

finished the sheriff will have as neat an office as any of the county officers.

Express Agent Johnson yesterday announced that the Southern Express Company had made arrangements to establish two branch money order offices. One of these will be at Crayton's Drug store and the other will be at the West End Pharmacy in Ward Six. These new offices will be ready in a few days.

Mr. George Hammett has been wondering all week who it was that on Sunday night made an attempt to steal his automobile. It is stated that some time during Sunday night parties went to Mr. Hammett's garage, rolled his car out and tried to get away with it through the back way. After going a short distance from the garage the parties found that there progress was impeded by a fence and they stopped long enough to take out a panel. However this fence was of wire and after rolling the car several yards across the back lot towards the C. & W. C. depot the would-be-stealers found that the wire in the fence had made a specialty in getting wound around the wheels and the crank, hindering their progress very much. Evidently they decided that it was easier to buy an automobile than it was to unwind a whole lot of barbed wire for they gave up the attempt and left the car where it stood.

Dalvime at the Bijou is attracting large crowds daily with his wonderful feats of hypnotizing. He is using local help in carrying out his shows and these add greatly to the fun.

An apple secured yesterday from W. H. Harrison's was shaped in a very peculiar way and looked more like a large diseased tomato than it did an apple. The piece of fruit was really two apples grown together. One



THE MEN WE KNOW

THE sort of men we know, the sort of fellows that buy their clothes of us, are pretty shrewd citizens. Every one knows that when he spends his good money for a

MICHAEL-STERN Suit or Overcoat

he is going to get full value for every penny.

They are good men to emulate---these men we know. And, whether you want to spend \$15.00 or \$20.00 or more, by following their example, you'll surely get full return for you money. B-O-E Suits \$10, \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25.

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of these was very much larger than the other and the smaller one looked like a big knot on one side. Close examination showed that it was in truth two apples grown together in such a way that they looked like a freak.

"BOLLING GREEN" NEXT May Be New Color of Season and Hival Alice Blue.

(Washington Correspondence of New York World.)

"Bolling Green" is to be the new color of the season, for the modistes are to be credited; for it is whispered that the shade, a dull rich tone that sets off to perfection the striking coloring of the future first lady, is to be the predominating hue in the trousseau of the president's fiancée. "Bolling green," therefore, bids fair to take its place alongside the well-known "Alice blue," made popular by Mrs. Nicholas Olmstead, and "Helen pling," to which Miss Helen Taft was partial.

Heretofore Mrs. Galt has affected grays, black, white and murple combinations, which are strikingly becoming to her; but they are too half mourning to be allowable in the case of trousseau frocks, save to a limited extent. During her shopping expeditions about town, on which she is usually accompanied by Miss Hela Woodrow Bones, Mrs. Galt wears either a dark gray whipcord suit, made on strictly tailored lines, with a small black hat and black furs, or a tete de negro walking suit, with a becoming white fur neck-piece.

Meanwhile Mrs. Galt is making an occasional visit to the Washington shops, and a well-known modiste and a tailor are said to be at work on several afternoon frocks and her going-away gown. The latest is variously described as of dark blue broadcloth, combined with seal, and of green duvety, with collar, cuffs and bandings of beaver.

Father—"Ah, so I have caught you kissing my daughter, have I?" Son—"I trust there is no doubt about it, sir. The light is quite dim and I should feel vastly humiliated if it should turn out to be somebody else I had been kissing."—Topsie.

GERMANS GAIN NEAR RIGA AND BATTLES IN GALICIA DRAW INTEREST TO EAST

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plane was shot down, and the occupants captured.

In Russia Hindenberg's army is advancing northeast and northwest of Mitau.

Von Linsingen's army still fighting the Russians along the river Styx.

Germans Capture 2,000 Serbians.

Berlin, Oct. 20.—The war office announces the capture of 2,000 prisoners and twelve guns by the Bulgarians in Serbia. Also states Bulgarians captured Sullan Tepe. Austrians made further advance on Shabatz, on the Save west of Belgrade.

The Serbians were thrown back south of Lucha and Bozayac.

Moves Serbian Capital.

Saloniki, Oct. 20.—The Entente allies are marking time pending the arrival here of sufficient troops for Balkan operations. A large French force is on the way. The French succeeded in protecting its lower end of the Nish-Saloniki railroad. The Serbian capital has been transferred to Prizrand, near the Albanian frontier.

SOCIAL SECRETARY TO WED

Mrs. Hagner Won Distinction in White House Service.

(Washington Dispatch to Philadelphia Record.)

The engagement of Miss Isabella L. Hagner—the first woman to hold the position of social secretary at the White House, who served both Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Wilson in that capacity—to Norman James, a Baltimore multi-millionaire, was announced today by her brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Francis Randall Hagner.

Miss Hagner is a notable figure in Washington society, and during two Roosevelt administrations, "achieved national prominence through the able way in which she handled difficult social problems. Miss Hagner is a native of Washington. The wedding day has not been set, but it will take place in November, and will be quiet.